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MAHONE AND THE BONDHOLDERS.

The London cable dispatch to the
World, which we publish in full,
unfolds the last concurring proof of what
we have stated from the begin-
ning of this canvas, viz: that Mahone
had put the State up on the
block to be sold to the highest bidder
as a "negro State," that he could
deliver by virtue of his leadership of
the negro.

If he once pretended to deny that he had
offered the bargain to the foreign bond-
holders the denial would only hold for
election time, and his idea to bridge the
chasm with a denial is just in accord-
ance with his character.

Did he not try to bridge the chasm in
1883 by swearing that he was a better
Democrat than Ben Hill after he had
sold a Democratic seat in the Senate to
the Radicals?

Of all the little montebanks states-
man's antics, however, this last one is
the highest and most amusing.

His whole career since the "Wolf-
gang" Convention has been a pretended
plea against the debt. He howled it to
the reverberate echoes that the Bour-
bons, who wanted to pay the debt, were
the enemies of the poor man. He
swept deep oaths and held midnight in-
cantations to exorcise the Bourbon
fiend of debt settlement.

Now read the little buccaneer in that
interview with the bondholders' agent.

He says that he would not discuss the
debt question during the canvass, but
after he was elected and had the Legis-
lature he would do his own sweet will
and grind the tax payer to any tune
that the bondholders wanted to make
us dance to, and pay up anything, for
the consideration of \$100,000.

That was the devil's auction to which
this little pirate wanted to lead his State,
and this is what his whole character
amounts to.

Mark one important point, that in his
proposed council with the bondholders,
if the conference disagreed, they
should name an odd man as referee, and
that man of his choice was John Sher-
man.

So, now, you have it all in a nut-
shell.

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says that the Riddleberger bill is a fraud,
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this Commonwealth as "a negro State."

If the people of Virginia, Republicans
as well as Democrats, need any more ar-
gument against the piratical politics pro-
posed by Mahone, there is but one
other argument, and that would be the
horrible fact of a Mahone victory.

We warn the honest and decent men
of Virginia to protect their sacred rights
on next Tuesday, and not to counte-
nance either intimidation or fraud.

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well as she deserved the contempt of all honest people, for her
inility in bartering herself to an anti-
quated peg upon which to hang a title
not much older than the peg, so now,
though she has come to her right mind
somewhat late, and, if report be true,
for a somewhat sordid reason, yet she
merits the congratulations of all good
Americans for her action in descending,
even at the eleventh hour. Prince Murat
was a time when the highest
host of the Roman citizen was "Ro-
manum sum." So likewise, "I am an
American," fills the heart of every true
American citizen with pride. It seems
however, as though our American
daughters and heiresses were using their
utmost endeavors to bedraggle that
honest pride in the dust brushed from
the shoes of the broken-down aristocra-
cy of Europe.

The American dude, in his only
occupation, dressing, toadies to them,
and the American heiress pays her mil-
lions for them.

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coming painfully frequent. Miss Cald-
well is right. All honor to her at last
for refusing to give up her American
right to manage her own affairs.

The actions of these penniless Princes
is indeed arrogant and disgusting. To
an American it is an insult to be charged
with the openarter of body and
soul and when it is done it is hidden as
a matter to be ashamed of.

The European Prince does not so
much as pay "the tribute which vice
pays to virtue" and become a hypo-
crite, hiding the bargain and relying
on his ability to "kiss or kick" enough
money out of his golden goose to pay
his millions of debt and live in luxury.
But with all the arrogance of his race,
he demands the money in advance and
refuses to sign the marriage contract
until he is in control of the millions.

We congratulate Miss Caldwell. We
are glad to see this gleam of American
pride flickering about her. Let her fan
it into a blaze.

The Durham Globe, the new enter-
prising paper in the old North State,
stands ably and manfully up to Vir-
ginia and rolls a volley into the Rad-
ical gang that helps to expose their
piratical ways. All the outside sup-
port we get contributes strength to the
Democratic canvass.

The exposure of Mahone's attempted
deal with the bondholders with a view
to taxing the people to any tune to pay
for the price he wanted to get ought to
convince everybody.

We think it will.

CAN we forget how Mahone gave the
order to A. W. Jones, of New Jersey,
to count out the Democratic majority in
the Legislature in 1880?

And can we forget that Jones & Co.
didn't do it?

READ the exposure of Mahone's at-
tempted deal with the foreign bond-
holders for \$100,000.

Mahone says that Virginia is a negro
State, and that he can own it.

Mahone's VIRGINIA CAMPAIGN.—Gen-
Mahone is running as the Republican
candidate for Governor of Virginia.
His campaign has been characterized
by more or less questionable methods
than were ever known in a Southern
political canvas. He has not felt any
hesitation in going to all sorts of de-
sperate ends in order to throw the Guber-
natorial balance in his favor.

His principal tactics have been with the
negro voters. By organizing them into a solid phalanx of supporters of his
ticket he hoped to win, regardless of past
utterances. Concerning "the colored
man and brother," the wily General
Mahone—"Always Mahone!"

"Now," said the banker, "we have ar-
rived at a point where independent opera-
tions began. Having been notified of the
failure of the commission to effect a settle-
ment between the two states, we instituted careful in-
quiries into the facts of the case of Vir-
ginia as to whether the debt and interest
should be paid or not. We represented to
General Mahone that he held the Administra-
tion responsible for his financial difficulties.
They held their own, and at last the diffi-
culty was Mahone, Mahone—always
Mahone! Their hold on the Administra-
tion lay in the fact that they had stolen Mahone's
power—the Riddleberger bill—and made it
their own. As long as they stuck to the
Riddleberger bill, Mahone could not discredit his own offering.
The moment, however, they deviated from
it in the direction of relief, their hold on the
House of Representatives of Virginia
ought to have been lost. Their first step in
this direction would bring Mahone into the
field with pathetic appeals for the poor
man, and the first anybody knew that the State
would be under negro rule again.

THE lesson of those days is the same
that the Gulf States had to learn. As
long as they recognized the traitors to
their homes as respectable they were
treated to the same horrors that we
now undergo from Mahone and his
men.

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